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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

9 TERRY L. JEFFERSON,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 SEATTLE PARKS DEPARTMENT,

13 Defendant.
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Case No. C08-1726RSL


ORDER GRANTING AN
EXTENSION OF TIME TO SERVE
AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

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16 This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On May 21, 2009, the Court ordered
17 plaintiff to show cause why this case should not be dismissed pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil
18 Procedure 4(m) for plaintiff's failure to serve defendant within 120 days after the complaint was
19 filed. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m) provides that if the summons and complaint are not
20 served within 120 days after the complaint is filed, the Court "must dismiss the action without
21 prejudice against the defendant or order that service be made within a specified time." In this
22 case, the latter option is warranted. Plaintiff states that his mother recently passed away and he
23 has been attending to family matters.

24 Accordingly, the Court grants plaintiff an extension of time to serve defendant. He must
25 do so and file proof of service with this Court by July 15, 2009, or demonstrate additional
26 reasons by that date why this Court should not dismiss this matter for failure to serve.
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1 Otherwise, the Court will dismiss this matter without prejudice. The Clerk of the Court is
2 directed to note this order to show cause on the Court's calendar for July 17, 2009.

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4 DATED this 10th day of June, 2009.

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8 Robert S. Lasnik
9 United States District Judge
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